

Palos Heights School District 128
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
June 14, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at the Dr. Edward T. Rancic Administrative Center, 12809 S. McVicker, Palos Heights, Illinois.

President Dr. Michael Lynch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Grady, Restivo, Facko, Lynch, Lyons

Absent: Lachowicz, Touhy

Visitors

Mary Lynn Duffy, Cathy Leslie, Kim Anoman, Gayle Greenwald, Pam Peters, Sherry Tellefsen, Al Restivo, John & Dawn Kehoe, Maria Klingner, Maggie Klingner, Orlando, Diann & Elizabeth Lappano, Michael Huber, Jeannette Huber & family, Beth Strooboscher, Sabirah Taiwo, Bisi, Kami, Afiz, Zynab Taiwo, Marcella Castor, Leslie & Haley Ohm, Emily Nebus, Judyta Opiela, Martin Foertsch, Elizabeth Foertsch, Beth Cosme, Zach Cosme, Preston Cosme, Mick Cosme.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Green and the Board acknowledged students who participated in the Math Bowl, AAUW Women's History Essay Contest, Economic Poster Contest, Scholastic Bowl, and the Declamation Team. Students were recognized and awarded certificates for their efforts.

Dr. Green reviewed for the Board the functions of the technology department, after meeting with Technology Director Mark Hupp and his assistant, Edwin Zavala.

Dr. Green discussed the Title I Plan, a federal grant, which was updated by Mrs. Duffy. The plan must be approved by the Board.

Dr. Green asked Kim Anoman to update the Board on asbestos abatement taking place in the district.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Grady that the Board approves the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on May 10, 2017, as presented; the June, 2017 bills payable and gross May, 2017 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the amount of \$768,629.95 (copy of same to be appended to and become a part of the minutes of this meeting); reviews and approves the activity accounts of the District's schools; approves the annual renewal of pre-tax insurance; approves the Title I Plan; approves the employment of Lauren Bunnell, math teacher at Independence, Allison

Miller, elementary music teacher, and Steven Schaaf, paraprofessional at Independence; accepts the resignation of teacher Evan Katsenis, and paraprofessionals Kristi Gabriel and Shannon O'Shea.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Facko, Lyons, Grady, Lynch, Restivo

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Old Business

None

Audience Participation

None

Dr. Lynch appointed Mrs. Lyons as Secretary Pro Tem in the absence of Mrs. Lachowicz, Board Secretary.

Closed Session

It was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Grady that the Board enter into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee; collective negotiating matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for classes of employees; and student disciplinary issues.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lynch, Grady, Facko, Lyons, Restivo

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 7:55 p.m.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:09 p.m.

Dr. Lynch made a motion that was seconded by Mrs. Lyons to approve and open the Closed Session minutes of the meeting of May 10, 2017. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

After review of all Closed Meeting minutes, Dr. Lynch made a motion to open all of the Closed Meeting minutes currently on file from 2014 and before. Dr. Facko seconded the motion, and the motion was carried by unanimous consent.

Dr. Lynch made a motion to approve a 4.5% salary increase for administrators and non-teacher employees. Dr. Facko seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Ayes: Grady, Restivo, Facko, Lynch, Lyons
Nays: None.
Motion carried.

Dr. Lynch moved to approve a salary increase for Mary Lynn Duffy for becoming principal of Kindergarten in addition to Grades 1-3. Mr. Grady seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Ayes: Grady, Restivo, Facko, Lynch, Lyons
Nays: None.
Motion carried.

Dr. Lynch made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Lyons to approve the Teachers' Contract as presented.

Roll Call:
Ayes: Grady, Restivo, Facko, Lyons
Nays: Lynch
Motion carried.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, it was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Grady to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent. The Board President, Dr. Lynch, declared the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary Pro Tem